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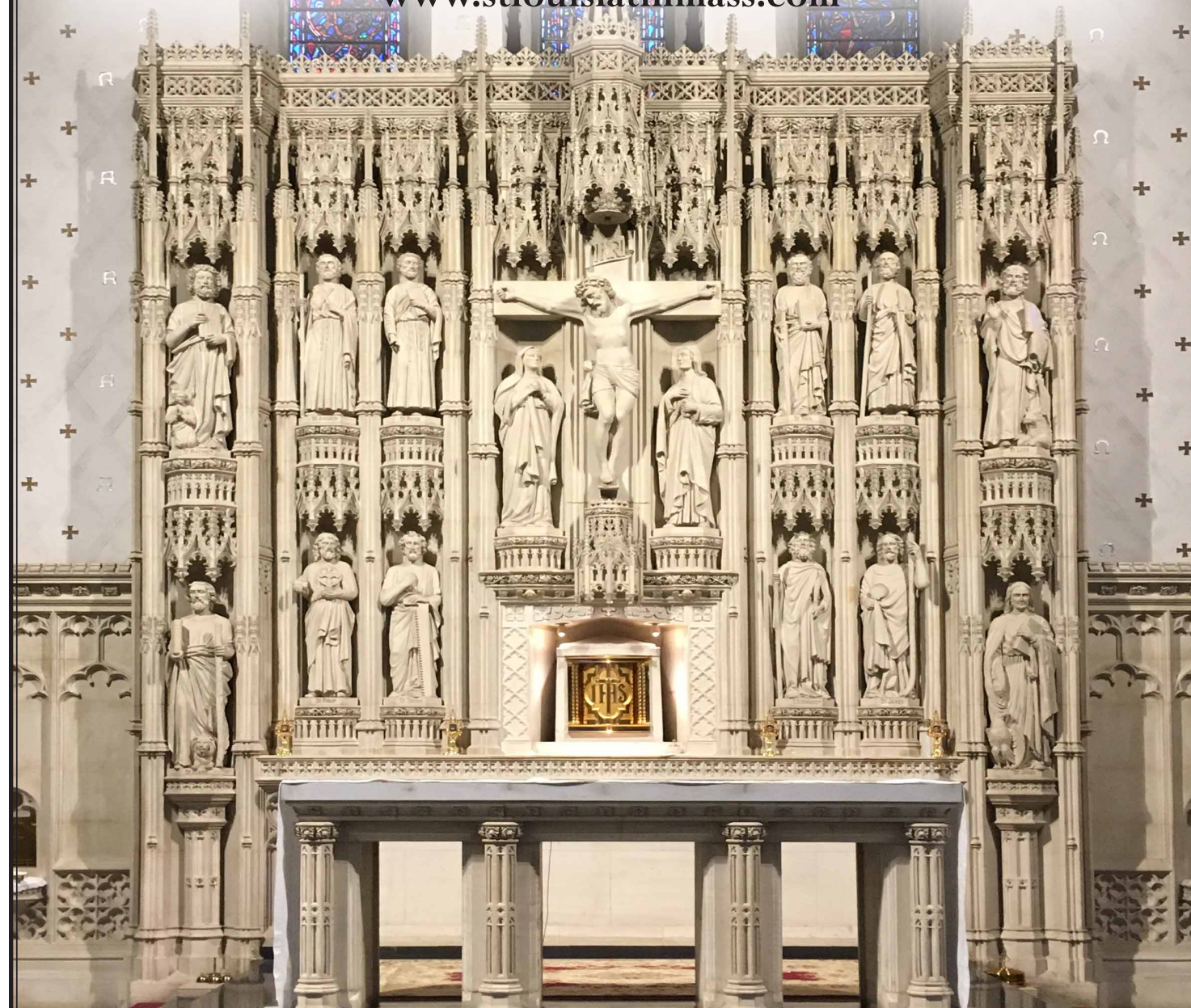


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**THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS**  
SUNDAY MASS: .....8:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.  
DAILY MASS:  
Tuesday .....7:00 a.m.  
Wednesday .....6:30 p.m.  
Thursday .....7:00 a.m.  
Friday .....Noon

**FIRST FRIDAY AND SATURDAY:**  
First Friday of each month: .....7:00 p.m.  
First Saturday of each month: .....8:00 a.m.  
**CONFESSIONS**  
Sundays .....7:00 -- 7:45 a.m.  
Wednesdays .....5:30 -- 6:15 p.m.  
Fridays .....11:00 -- 11:45 a.m.



FROM THE RECTOR – Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called Laetare Sunday taking its name from the opening words of the Introit: *Rejoice, O Jerusalem!* Our joy is exhorted not only because our Lenten pilgrimage has considerably advanced but also and more importantly because we are yet again reminded of the power of Christ’s salvific work on the Cross. The Church teaches us through the sacred liturgy and the Divine Office of the work of our Heavenly Father with His Chosen people setting them free from slavery in Egypt and then feeding them with manna, giving them the Law on Mount Sinai on their sojourn to the Promised Land. Moses is God’s prophet, but in Christ we have Moses fulfilled. And the work of Christ frees us from the slavery to sin, feeds us with His own Body and delivers us to the new Jerusalem in Heaven. These are all reasons to rejoice and give thanks to God. Given our current ecclesial situation most especially that we are not together for Holy Mass is all the more reasons for us to search for the true joy that always lasts and that is life in Christ. Continue your Lenten journey with diligence and joy. Now more than ever do not waver or stumble carrying your cross. The current situation is truly difficult for us all but it also provides us to configure ourselves to Christ crucified. And for that opportunity, let us rejoice in the Lord!

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SEASON OF LENT

This past Monday, 16 March 2020, the Archbishop mandated the suspension of all public Masses. This has not happened in 100 years and we are all overwhelmed. The current mandate is in place until 6 April at which time the priests and faithful will be informed as to what the next steps are. It is anticipated that we will be celebrating the Sacred Triduum and the schedule below remains in place.

The schedule for Holy Week is: **HOLY THURSDAY @ 5:00 PM; GOOD FRIDAY @ 3PM; HOLY SATURDAY @ 4:30 PM.**

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SUNDAYS WITHOUT HOLY MASS

What should be done with a Sunday without Holy Mass.

I would offer the following suggestions:

- Our First Mass at the Oratory is normally 8 am. Rise in time for the 8’o clock hour with all family members present and spend that time prayer. I would encourage using your Missals to access the Epistle and Gospel for the Sundays we are away and read that as a family. Spend some time in silent prayer together, and then make a spiritual communion using the below prayer. You could use the following online resource to assist with readings if you do not have a Missal (<http://www.extraordinaryform.org>). You may also desire to live stream the Holy Mass. There are several resources on line to assist you: (<https://fsspjoliet.wordpress.com/2017/12/08/fraternity-of-saint-peter-fssp-live-mass-channel>) and (<https://www.tridentinecatholic.com>). There are other resources on line for live streaming the Holy Mass.
- Pray the rosary as a family (hopefully this is already happening, but if not now is a good time to begin).
- Make an effort to come to confession during this time of being away from Holy Mass. The times for confession are listed on the website, and in the bulletin.
- Spend some time in spiritual reading either individually or as family
- Prayer for Spiritual Communion**  
*My Jesus,  
I believe that you are truly present  
in the most Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I am not able at this moment  
to receive You sacramentally,  
I ask that you spiritually enter into my heart.  
I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen. (Padre Pio)*  
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CONFESSIONS

The Oratory will continue to celebrate the sacrament of confession at the following times:

- Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 6:00 am (during the Lenten season)
- Wednesday evenings @ 5:30 pm
- Friday mornings @ 11:00 am
- Sunday mornings @ 7:00 am

During the times for confession, the Church will be open and available for private prayer. The same precautions remain in place: if you are not feeling well, please remain at home; keep a safe distance away from others when in the Church; take the necessary steps to keep yourself, your families and those around safe through good hygiene.

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CANCELLATIONS

In accord with the Archdiocesan mandate, the following events are cancelled:

- All weekday Masses
  - All Sunday Masses
  - Stations of the Cross on Fridays of Lent
  - Church Cleaning scheduled for 21 March
  - Coffee Hours on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays
  - Men’s Day of Recollection scheduled for 28 March
  - Women’s Day of Recollection scheduled for 4 April
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CHARITABLE GIVING

Since we are not able to be present for Holy Mass, there will not be an opportunity for a collection during these Sundays. For those already signed up for Online giving please continue to so. For those who are not signed-up, there is information below that will assist you. You can do a one-time donation or set up something that is on-going. Finally for those who would prefer you can mail in your donations. Your financial assistance will remain extremely important during these next several weeks and possibly beyond. In advance, thank you for your generosity.

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ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is available for the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine. The information below will assist you in setting up Online Giving if you are interested in doing so. Please visit the following link to sign up for Online Giving for the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine: <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4785>. Click on the green button “create new account” to set up your account. If you need assistance setting up your account please call OSV at 1-800-348-2886, option 2, then option 1. You can also access online giving from your phone. Simply download the app for free from the Apple or Google store. The name of the app is “Online Giving by Our Sunday Visitor”. From there it is the same login process as it is on the website. If you have any questions, please call Donna at 314-925-8989 x10. We also have a link on the website. Thank you for your generosity in these times of uncertainty.

JOSEPH CHALLENGE PILGRIMAGE

Men ages 18 and up are invited to participate in the Joseph Challenge Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Joseph in Downtown St. Louis the weekend of May 2-3, 2020. The pilgrimage is intended to challenge men to grow deeper in their faith. For more information and to register, visit [josephchallenge.com](http://josephchallenge.com) or contact Chris Horan at [cmhoran@protonmail.com](mailto:cmhoran@protonmail.com).

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ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN REGULATIONS

*“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.” (John 3:16-17)*

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics, so that we too might have Eternal life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

- Ash Wednesday (February 26, 2020) and Good Friday (April 10, 2020) are days of abstinence for all Catholics over the age of 14. On these two days, fast, as well as abstinence, is also obligatory for those from the ages of 18-59. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.
- All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Here again Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused, but if there is a serious health problem, this obligation would not apply.

We should strive to make all days of Lent a time of prayer and penance. Following are several resources that can aid in finding different forms of prayer and penance.

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MEAL TRAINS ~ PLEASE SIGN UP

Please help us welcome to the Oratory little Colette Zelig who was born on 02/17/20 to Tim & Erin Hughes. We would like to help by providing meals to the Hughes family. Please visit the following link to sign up & for more details: <https://mealtrain.com/1w546w>

Please also help us welcome to the Oratory little Rocco Augustus who was born on 3/5/20 to Anthony & Samantha Podesta. We would like to help by providing meals to the Podesta family. Please visit the following link to sign up & for more details: <https://mealtrain.com/w1y87e>

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OFFICE OF TENEBRAE

“Tenebrae” is the name given to the service of Matins and Lauds belonging to the last three days of Holy Week and normatively anticipated the evening before. These services are marked by a somber and sober, nearly mournful praying of the Divine Office. The

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*Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us who have recourse to thee!  
Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!*

structure of the office is sparse reflecting the seriousness of these sacred days and the sadness that should accompany all of us because Christ our Savior suffered for our sins.

The Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine will have the opportunity to pray Tenebrae on the following evenings:

- Wednesday, 8 April @ 10:00 pm – Tenebrae of Holy Thursday**
- Thursday, 9 April @ 10:00 pm – Tenebrae of Good Friday**
- Friday, 10 April @ 10:00 pm – Tenebrae of Holy Saturday**

Last year this time of prayer and meditation during Holy Week met with great success and a great many people joined for prayer. We are blessed to have the choir of ***Una Voce St. Louis*** to lead us in prayer. While this is late in the evening, I would encourage as many of the faithful to attend as possible. This is a wonderful, solemn and profound way to enter more deeply into the Sacred Triduum and the Paschal Mystery which has brought us our salvation.

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PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE

2/23 - 3/1 Schuette	3/1 - 3/8 Filla
3/8 - 3/15 Petrick	3/15 - 3/22 Stein
3/22 - 3/29 Alexander	3/29 - 4/5 Taormina
4/5 - 4/12 Podesta	4/12 - 4/19 Grizzle
4/19 - 4/26 Turntine	4/26 - 5/3 Kelly
5/3 - 5/10 Wisniewski	5/10 - 5/17 Jones
5/17 - 5/24 Armstrong	5/24 - 5/31 Carapella
5/31 - 6/7 Cook	6/7 - 6/14 Hayward
6/14 - 6/21 Fowler	6/21 - 6/28 Houlard
6/28 - 7/5 Catalano	7/5 - 7/12 Kenney
7/12 - 7/19 Raymond	7/19 - 7/26 Flannigan
7/26 - 8/2 Gelhot	8/2 - 8/9 Horan
8/9 Schuette	

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MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 24 March – ***Feria of Lent***

Mass Intention: Alvin E. Pettig (d)

Wednesday, 25 March – ***the Annunciation of the BVM***

Mass Intention: Jim F. Ward (d)

Thursday, 26 March – ***Feria of Lent***

Mass Intention: Claire Marie Lucy Barnard (d)

Friday, 27 March – ***Feria of Lent***

Mass Intention: Arthur Own Alferitz (d)

Saturday, 28 March – ***Feria of Lent***

Mass Intention: Rev. Dennis Marx (d)

Sunday, 29 March – ***Passion Sunday***

Mass Intention: Pro Populo